

UTILITY PATENT APPLICATION TRANSMITTAL

(Only for new nonprovisional applications under 37 C.F.R. 1.53(b))

Attorney Docket No. 16517.247 [38-21(51893)B]

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Title Nucleic Acid Molecules and Other Molecules Associated with Plants

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APPLICATION ELEMENTS

See MPEP chapter 600 concerning utility patent application contents.

1. Fee Transmittal Form (e.g., PTO/SB/17)
(Submit an original and a duplicate for fee processing)
2. Applicant claims small entity status.
See 37 CFR 1.27.
3. Specification [Total Pages 89]
(preferred arrangement set forth below)
 - Descriptive title of the Invention
 - Cross References to Related Applications
 - Statement Regarding Fed sponsored R & D
 - Reference to sequence listing, a table, or a computer program listing appendix
 - Background of the Invention
 - Brief Summary of the Invention
 - Brief Description of the Drawings (if filed)
 - Detailed Description
 - Claim(s)
 - Abstract of the Disclosure
4. Drawing(s) (35 U.S.C.113) [Total Sheets 1]
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 a. Newly executed (original or copy)
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 (for a continuation/divisional with Box 18 completed)
 i. **DELETION OF INVENTOR(S)**
 Signed statement attached deleting inventor(s) named in the prior application, see 37 CFR 1.63(d)(2) and 1.33(b).
6. Application Data Sheet. See 37 CFR 1.76

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7. CD-ROM or CD-R in duplicate, large table or Computer Program (Appendix)
8. Nucleotide and/or Amino Acid Sequence Submission (if applicable, all necessary)
 a. Computer Readable Form (CRF)
 b. Specification Sequence Listing on:
 i. CD-ROM or CD-R (2 copies); or
 ii. paper
 c. Statements verifying identity of above copies

ACCOMPANYING APPLICATIONS PARTS

9. Assignment Papers (cover sheet & document(s))
10. 37 C.F.R. §3.73(b) Statement Power of (when there is an assignee) Attorney
11. English Translation Document (if applicable)
12. Information Disclosure Statement (IDS)/PTO-1449 Copies of IDS Citations
13. Preliminary Amendment
14. Return Receipt Postcard (MPEP 503) (Should be specifically itemized)
15. Certified Copy of Priority Document(s) (if foreign priority is claimed)
16. Request and Certification under 35 U.S.C. 122 (b)(2)(B)(i). Applicant must attach form PTO/SB/35 or its equivalent.
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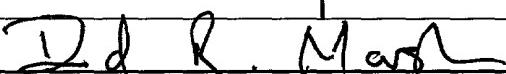
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For: Nucleic Acid Molecules and Other Molecules
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Sir:

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Patent and Trademark Office:

1. This Transmittal Letter;
2. Utility Patent Application Transmittal (PTO/SB/05);
3. U.S. Non-Provisional Application entitled:

Nucleic Acid Molecules and Other Molecules Associated with Plants

and naming as inventors:

FINCHER, Karen L. and ZIEGLER, Todd E.

the application consisting of:

- a. A specification containing:
 - (i) 86 pages of a description prior to the claims;
 - (ii) 2 pages of claims (9 claims); and
 - (iii) a one (1) page abstract;

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4. three (3) CD-ROMs separately containing:
 - (i) the sequence listing in computer readable form (*i.e.*, CRF);
 - (ii) Copy 1 of the sequence listing on compact disc; and
 - (iii) Copy 2 of the sequence listing on compact disc;
5. a Statement Regarding Sequence Submission;
6. a Request and Certification Under 35 U.S.C. 122(b)(2)(B)(i) (PTO/SB/35);
7. an executed Combined Declaration and Power of Attorney, executed by Karen L. Fincher (3 pages);
8. an executed Combined Declaration and Power of Attorney, executed by Todd E. Ziegler (3 pages);
9. check No. 200531 in the amount of \$710 to cover the basic filing fee; and
10. two (2) return postcards.

This application claims priority under 35 U.S.C §119(e) of U.S. Provisional Application Serial No. 60/196,868 filed on May 9, 2000, the disclosure of which application is incorporated herein by reference in its entirety.

Submitted herewith are a sequence listing on CD-ROM (two copies) and a sequence listing Computer Readable Form (CRF) on CD-ROM, in compliance with 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.52(e), 1.77, and 1.823.

Three CD-ROMs accompany this transmittal letter: two copies of a sequence listing (Seq. Listing: Copy 1, Seq. Listing: Copy 2), a sequence listing CRF. Seq. Listing: Copy 1 and Seq. Listing: Copy 2 are identical to each other and to the sequence listing CRF. All three sequence listing CD-ROMs each contain one file called "pa_00349.rpt" which is 19,928,021 bytes in size (measured in MS-DOS) and was created on May 4, 2001. All CD-ROMs are in IBM-PC machine format, and are MS-DOS and MS-Windows compatible.

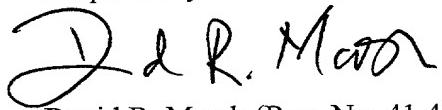
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Respectfully submitted,



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